

Rev. Dr. King was first and foremost a Christian pastor. He was ordained in 1948 (at the age of 19) and received his Ph.D. in Systematic Theology from Boston University in 1955. Upon completion of his studies at BU, he accepted the call of Dexter Avenue Baptist Church, Montgomery, Alabama, where he was the pastor from September 1954 to November 1959. He resigned to move to Atlanta to direct the activities of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and serve as co-pastor with his father at Ebenezer Baptist Church. In the speeches/sermons being recited today, you will hear references to the following scriptures:

I have a dream:

Isaiah 40:3-5 :: New King James Version (NKJV)

³The voice of one crying in the wilderness:

"Prepare the way of the LORD;

Make straight in the desert

A highway for our God.

⁴Every valley shall be exalted

And every mountain and hill brought low;

The crooked places shall be made straight

And the rough places smooth;

⁵The glory of the LORD shall be revealed,

And all flesh shall see it together;

For the mouth of the LORD has spoken."

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Isaiah 11:5-7 :: New International Version

⁵ Righteousness will be his belt
and faithfulness the sash around his waist.

⁶ The wolf will live with the lamb,
the leopard will lie down with the goat,
the calf and the lion and the yearling together;
and a little child will lead them.

⁷ The cow will feed with the bear,
their young will lie down together
and the lion will eat straw like the ox.

Micah 4:3-5 :: New International Version (NIV)

³ He will judge between many peoples
and will settle disputes for strong nations far and wide.
They will beat their swords into plowshares
and their spears into pruning hooks.
Nation will not take up sword against nation,
nor will they train for war anymore.

⁴ Every man will sit under his own vine
and under his own fig tree,
and no one will make them afraid,
for the LORD Almighty has spoken.

⁵ All the nations may walk
in the name of their gods;
we will walk in the name of the LORD
our God for ever and ever.

I see the promised land:

Deuteronomy 34:1-5 :: New International Version (NIV)

¹ Then Moses climbed Mount Nebo from the plains of Moab to the top of Pisgah, across from Jericho. There the LORD showed him the whole land—from Gilead to Dan, ² all of Naphtali, the territory of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the western sea, ³ the Negev and the whole region from the Valley of Jericho, the City of Palms, as far as Zoar. ⁴ Then the LORD said to him, "This is the land I promised on oath to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob when I said, 'I will give it to your descendants.' I have let you see it with your eyes, but you will not cross over into it."

⁵ And Moses the servant of the LORD died there in Moab, as the LORD had said.

EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA REMEMBERING MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. January 17, 2003



**"I have
a dream"**



*In Commemoration of the
Life and Achievements of
Martin Luther King, Jr.,
January 15, 1929 - April 4, 1968*



*Conferral of the 2003 Drum Major for Justice Award
on Professor Geoffrey R. U. Mmari*



Prof. Geoffrey R. V. Mmari

Vice-Chancellor, Open University of Tanzania. 1993 - present

Currently: Chairman, Media Council of Tanzania; Chairman, Higher Education Accreditation Council; Vice-Chairman, Tanzania Family Planning Association; Member of Council, Sokoine University of Agriculture; National Examinations Council.

Previous posts: *University of Dar es Salaam* (Vice-Chancellor, 1988-91; Chief Academic Officer, 1982-84; Dean, faculty of arts and social sciences, 1977-82; Professor of education (mathematics education), 1975-94); Vice-Chancellor, *Sokoine University of Agriculture*, 1984-88; Director, *Tanzania Institute of Education*, 1973-74; Chairman of Board, Tanzania School of Journalism, 1984-94; Tanzania National Parks Board; Mathematical Association of Tanzania; National Board of Auditors and Accountants; Tanzania Library Services Board; Tanzania Posts Corporation; Vice-Chairman, Presidential Commission on Education 1980-82.

Education: Makerere University (DipEd); University of Northern Iowa (BA, MA); Iowa State University of Science and Technology; University of Dar es Salaam (PhD); University of Ibadan; Manchester College of Education; Yale University; Member, Mathematical Association of Tanzania.

RECIPIENTS OF THE DRUM MAJOR FOR JUSTICE AWARD

Hon. Chief Justice Francis Nyalali (ret)	2002
Mwalimu Julius K. Nyerere	2000
Hon. Joseph Sinde Warioba	1999

We would like to thank the Kijitonyama Youth Choir of the Kijitonyama Lutheran Church for joining in our celebration today. The choir, under the leadership of Pastor Lewis Hiza, sings praise and worship songs at the church as well as hospitals, weddings, funerals and other events such as today. They also produce their music on cassettes and CDs. They can be reached at uvikijito@yahoo.com or by mail at Box 7758, Dar es Salaam.

PROGRAM

National Anthems

*U.S. Embassy Choir
Kijitonyama Youth Choir*

Invocation

*Hon. Gertrude Mongella, MP
President, Advocacy for Women in Africa*

Welcome

*J. Michael Korff
Director, Office of Public Affairs*

Remarks on Martin Luther King Day

Ambassador Robert V. Royall

Personal Reflections on the Life and Contributions of Martin Luther King

*Hon. Charles E. Williams
Director & COO, Overseas Building Operations
U.S. Department of State*

Hold me close

*Kijitonyama Youth Choir
Kijitonyama Lutheran Church*

Excerpts from Dr. King's speeches:

The speech before the Lincoln Memorial

"I have a dream", August 28, 1963.....Jenerali Ulimwengu
Chairman, Habari Corporation

Nobel Prize Acceptance Speech

Oslo, Norway, December 10, 1964..... Hamza Kassongo
Director of Operations, Africa Media Group

I See The Promised Land

The Mason's Temple, Memphis Tennessee, April 3, 1968.....
Rt. Rev. Valentino Mokiwa
Anglican Bishop of Dar es Salaam

Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory

Kijitonyama Youth Choir

Introduction of Speaker

*Michael S. Owen
Deputy Chief of Mission*

A Tribute to Prof. Geoffrey R. V. Mmari

*Hon. Joseph Sinde Warioba
Judge, East Africa Court of Appeal*

Presentation of the Drum Major for Justice Award

Ambassador Royall

Remarks

*Prof. Geoffrey R. V. Mmari
Vice Chancellor, Open University of Tanzania*

Benediction

*Sheikh Hassan Chizenga
Deputy Secretary General, Religious Affairs, BAKWATA*